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2005-07 Budget Bill Statutory Language Drafting Request

- Topic: Uniform Foster Rate Increase
- Tracking Code: BB0296
- SBO team: Health & Insurance
- SBO analyst: Rhodes
 - Phone: 6-2288
 - Email: dennis.rhodes@doa.state.wi.us
- Agency acronym: DHFS
- Agency number: ~~6-9364~~ 435

Uniform Foster Care Rate Increase

Current Language

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Proposed Change

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Effect of the Change

This change will permanently increase the State's uniform foster care rates by 10% effective January 1, 2006.

Rationale for the Change

The basic foster care rate is intended to cover the basic costs of care for a child. However, foster care rates are not tied to an inflationary or cost index and have not been increased since CY 2001.

Foster parents, county child welfare workers, and children's advocates have said repeatedly that low foster care rates hinder recruitment efforts. For foster parents on modest incomes, the low monthly reimbursement rate does not provide the level of resources they need to care for the child. The Governor's KidsFirst agenda included increasing reimbursement rates for foster parents in the next biennial budget.

Desired Effective Date:	January 1, 2006
Agency:	DHFS
Agency Contact:	Nicole Groth
Phone:	266-9364



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AN ACT ...; relating to: foster care rates.

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HEALTH AND ~~FAMILY~~ SERVICES

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History: 1977 c. 354 s. 101; 1977 c. 418, 447; 1981 c. 20; 1985 a. 29 s. 3202 (23); 1985 a. 176, 281, 332, 403; 1989 a. 31, 336; 1993 a. 395 ss. 31m, 39; 1993 a. 437 s. 67; 1993 a. 446 ss. 79 to 82, 134m; 1993 a. 491; 1995 a. 275; 1997 a. 27, 334; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 69.

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13 effect on January 1, 2006, or on the day after publication, whichever is later.

14 (END)

Malaise, Gordon

From: Rhodes, Dennis
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2005 2:47 PM
To: Malaise, Gordon
Subject: foster care rates in 05-1115

Importance: High

Gordon,

The rates in the draft are correct starting January 1, 2007, but the rates starting January 1, 2006 should be:

0-4	317.10
5-11	345.45
12-14	393.75
15+	410.55

So sorry for the oversight. Is there a way to reflect that change?

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